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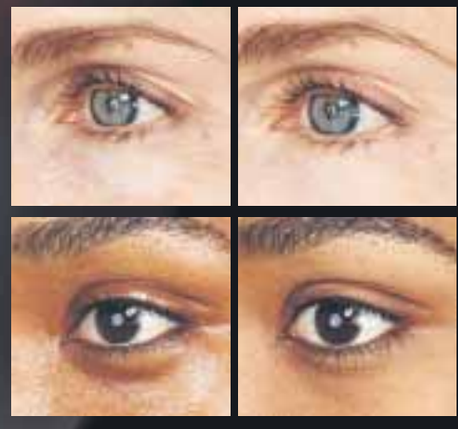

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Piper paid for being talented before it paid off

Metro editor and ex-mascot recalls booing hockey star Cherie Piper when the future Olympian played for a rival school's team PAGE 10

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High hopes

Regina snowboarder Mark McMorris, seen here competing in a slope-style qualification event on Thursday at Rosa Khutor Extreme Park in Sochi, Russia, is one of several Saskatchewan-bred athletes shooting for the podium at the Olympic Winter Games SEE COVERAGE ON PAGES 5 & 18-19

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Measles cases grow to 10

Health. But officials stress that they have control over minor outbreak

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It's an outbreak of measles with 10 confirmed cases, up from six about a week ago. But it's well under control.

That's the situation in southern Saskatchewan — particularly in the Regina area — following a rise in the number of people found to have come down with measles in the past few weeks, according to regional health officials.

Dr. Maurice Hennink, medical health officer with the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, said on Thursday that five locations in the city have been added to the list of sites where members of the public might have been exposed to the measles virus for limited periods.

"We still have control and know exactly where the cases are," Hennink told reporters of those who have been affected by the virus — nine of them in Regina, and another in a region south of the city.

"None of the cases were in a general exposure situation, so the general public has not been affected."

The new sites on the list of possible measles exposure locations are Pür Indulgence Salon and Spa on Rochdale Boulevard last Saturday, a Sobeys store on Rochdale last Sunday afternoon, Fresh Coffee Shop on Monday morning, the Bay and the Cleo store at Cornwall Centre on Monday, and a front entrance area at Regina General Hospital on Tuesday morning.

Those locations are in addition to a Regina Superstore outlet and a Walmart, as well as several more sites, where exposure was possible at certain times last month. Hennink stressed that though the Regina situation can be described as an "outbreak," he and other medical officials "don't have undue concern" about it.

"The epidemiologically linked cases that we've seen, given the movement of people and where they visit and what they've done, is quite expected," he explained, noting that none of the people infected have been admitted to a hospital and that most of them have recovered.

"We think at this stage that it's still under control."

Dr. Maurice Hennink, medical health officer with the Regina Qu'Appelle Health Region, said on Thursday that the measles situation remains under control. ROSS ROMANIUK/METRO

Critics blast 7% property-tax increase

Some Regina homeowners and a Canadian tax watchdog are calling the city's proposed seven per cent property-tax hike "unwarranted," saying it doesn't take into account affordability.

"Very few people would see an increase of seven per cent in their income in a year, and this budget process doesn't seem to consider that," said Canadian Taxpayers Federation (CTF) Prairie-region director Colin Craig.

The CTF filed a freedom-of-information request to see what data were used to determine the proposed tax increase in Regina's 2014 budget.

City hall, however, failed to produce documentation, Craig said.

Mayor Michael Fougere said no one wants to see a tax surge, but added that council must find a way to provide services as the city grows.

Homeowner Richard Dielschneider, however, questions the mayor's reasoning.

"Why should we pay for growth when the city is already getting more tax dollars from new residents and businesses that come in?" he asked.

According to Dielschneider, the cost of city hall's employee benefit program must be reduced and its programs streamlined before a tax increase is even considered.

Fougere pointed out that it's "not all doom and gloom" in Regina. The city, he said, has low unemployment and has benefitted from taxes lower than those in Saskatoon, Edmonton and Calgary for the past five years.

"Seven per cent is a lot to ask, I accept that," Fougere said. "But let's hear what residents say, and we'll make changes." SARAH TAGUIAM/METRO

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Exports set Saskatchewan sales record

Economic boost. New high mark set in 2013 in various industries

Saskatchewan exports reached record heights in 2013, largely through surging gains in energy and consumer goods.

Exports from the booming Prairie province totalled $32.9 billion last year, representing a nearly 4.6 per cent increase from the previous record set in 2012, according to figures from Statistics Canada released on Thursday.

"(These) are great numbers for Saskatchewan. We have set another record," Trade Minister Tim McMillan told reporters at Regina's McKay Empire farm equipment plant, which the provincial government pointed to as an example of export success.

"This reflects the growth in our province and something we expect to see continuing."

Dwayne Chychrun, plant manager at McKay Empire, said the recently falling value of the Canadian dollar has made agricultural equipment from the United States more expensive for American buyers — and that has fuelled the Regina firm's sales south of the border.

"Materials and other items we use are U.S.-dollar based," Chychrun noted.

The largest year-over-year gain in Saskatchewan was in consumer goods, which rose by a whopping 64 per cent.

Forestry products grew by a comparatively more modest 13.3 per cent, while energy exports increased by little more than 10 per cent.

McMillan touted the figures as a testament to the diversity of the province's hot economy.

The rebounding American economy has also opened more opportunities for Saskatchewan exporters, McMillan added.

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Dwayne Chychrun, plant manager at McKay Empire in Regina.

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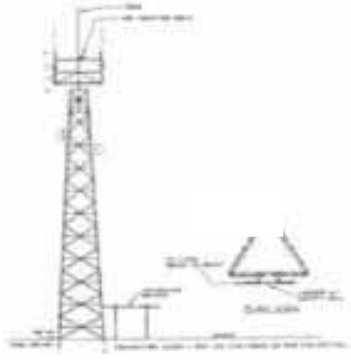

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Big business. Oil-driven land sales surging in southeast Saskatchewan

Drilling rights in southeastern Saskatchewan continue to attract big dollars from energy firms.

February's sales of petroleum and natural gas rights brought more than $50 million to provincial government coffers — with $46.6 million in the Weyburn and Estevan areas.

"We're averaging over $10 million a sale in the last couple of years, which historically would be considered quite strong," Tim McMillan, energy and resources minister, told reporters on Thursday.

The $50 million amounts to the second-highest February sales total on record.

The highest price paid for a single parcel of land was $14.1 million for a 2,072-hectare section north of the hamlet of Oungre.

Brad Herald, manager of Saskatchewan operations with the Canadian Association of Petroleum Producers, said the numbers show that the industry is aggressively targeting the transcontinental Bakken oil field.

"It's obviously a vote of confidence that they think there's significant resources there," Herald told Metro.

Time constraints play a major role in the provincial land sale system. In Saskatchewan, buyers have five years to bring land into production or it reverts back to the Crown and becomes available for another sale.

About 70 per cent of purchased land comes back to the Crown at the end of the five-year window, McMillan said.

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Tim McMillan, energy and resources minister

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Saskatoon

Woman charged with five-year-old son's murder makes court appearance

A woman charged with murdering her five-year-old son made a brief court appearance in Saskatoon on Thursday morning.

35-year-old Kellie Johnson, who is charged with first-degree murder in the Jan. 4 death of five-year-old Jonathan Vetter, had undergone a 30-day assessment at the province's psychiatric hospital in North Battleford and on Thursday that report was presented to the court.

While information in the report could not be made public, a provincial court judge ruled that Johnson be remanded to the Pine Grove Correctional Centre in Saskatoon, but be transferred back to the Saskatchewan Hospital in North Battleford once space becomes available.

Johnson is scheduled to be back in court on March 28 at 10:30 a.m.

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A bevy of Saskatchewan-bred athletes are representing Canada at the Olympic Winter Games in Sochi, Russia. Here are some of the most promising medal hopefuls to hail from the Land of Living Skies.

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5 local Olympians to watch

1 Lyndon Rush

Lyndon Rush MIKE GROLL/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Humboldt native and pilot Lyndon Rush and his teammate, brakeman Jesse Lumsden, will try to slide into a podium finish at the two-man bobsled event in Sochi. Expect to hear a lot about Rush, as the bobsled event tends to be one of the more popular sports at the Winter Games.

2 Hayley Wickenheiser

Hayley Wickenheiser
THE CANADIAN PRESS

It will be easy to spot Hayley Wickenheiser in Sochi, as the legendary female hockey star will be Canada's flag-bearer at Friday's opening ceremony. On the ice, the Shaunavon native wants to lead Canada to its fourth consecutive Olympic gold medal.

3 Mark McMorris

Even after breaking a rib two weeks prior, Mark McMorris, the province's famed snowboarding star, is the odds-on favourite to capture gold in the slope-style competition, which is making its Olympic debut.

Mark McMorris
JULIE JACOBSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

4 Chris Kunitz

Four years ago, Regina's Chris Kunitz wasn't seen as a serious contender for a spot on Canada's Olympic hockey team. Fast-forward to 2014, and the Pittsburgh Penguins star has not only made the squad but will be counted on to contribute.

Chris Kunitz
GENE J. PUSKAR/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

5 Chelsea Valois

Saskatchewan seemingly has a knack for producing top-tier bobsledding talent. Northern Saskatchewan native Chelsea Valois, along with teammate Kaillie Humphries, will be tough to knock off as they gun for gold at Sochi.

Chelsea Valois, left, with Kaillie Humphries
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Mali. Public opposition slowly turning the tide on female circumcision

When Dicko Ongoiba was a little girl, female genital cutting was such a tradition that no one in her community discussed it. Like her mother did, 40-year-old Ongoiba subjected her first six daughters to what is sometimes referred to as female circumcision. But she has since learned more about ramifications, and now she wants to spare her two youngest daughters.

On Thursday, the International Day of Zero Tolerance to Female Genital Mutilation, Ongoiba joined hundreds of residents of a town outside Mali's capital for a public declaration swearing off female genital cutting, which affects 89 per cent of Mali's women.

It was the second public declaration organized in Mali by the non-governmental organization Tostan, which has worked with 7,000 communities in eight African countries to denounce cutting.

In recent years the prevalence of female genital cutting had gone down in Mali, but very slowly.

Although community leaders sometimes justify the practice on religious grounds, in recent years a growing number of religious leaders have noted there is no mention of female genital cutting in the Qur'an.

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What it is

Female circumcision involves removing some or all of a girl's external genitals, usually without anesthesia, leading to the loss of sexual pleasure, but also more difficult childbirths, urinary incontinence and other complications.

- Of the three different types of female circumcision practised in Mali, the most severe is infibulation and involves removal of external genitalia and the narrowing of the vaginal opening.

Student's death spurs debate on segregation

Saudi university. Male paramedics not given immediate permission to enter campus to treat female: Witness

Thousands of Saudis vented their anger online over a report Thursday that staff at a Riyadh university had barred male paramedics from entering a women's-only campus to assist a student who had suffered a heart attack and later died.

The Okaz newspaper said administrators at King Saud University impeded efforts by the paramedics to save the student's life because of rules banning men from being on-site. According to the paper, the incident took place on Wednesday and the university staff took an hour before allowing the paramedics in.

However, the university's rector, Badran Al-Omar, denied the report, saying there was no hesitation in letting the paramedics in. He said the university did all it could to save the life of the student, who was identified as Amna Bawazeer.

Her death sparked a debate on Twitter by Saudis, who created a hashtag to talk about the incident. In the debate, many Saudis said the kingdom's strictly enforced rules governing the segregation of the sexes were to blame for the delay in helping Bawazeer.

Following Wednesday's incident, professors at King Saud University also demanded an investigation.

One staff member who witnessed the situation said paramedics were not called immediately. She said they were also not given immediate permission to enter the campus and that it appeared that the female dean of the university and the female dean of the college of social studies panicked.

Al-Omar said the staff called campus health officials within minutes of Bawazeer collapsing and that about 25 minutes later they called paramedics.

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"We need management who can make quick decisions without thinking of what the family will say or what culture will say."

Aziza Youssef, a professor at King Saud University.

Tough tusk: French send strong message to ivory poachers

French Customs employees protect themselves from fragments as about 698 elephant tusks are unloaded before being crushed into dust, at the foot of the Eiffel Tower in Paris, Thursday. France is crushing more than three tons of illegal ivory in Europe's first destruction of a stockpile of the banned elephant tusks. Thursday's pulverization is intended to send a message to poachers and traffickers that preservationists hope will help stem the illicit trade that endangers the species' survival. REMY DE LA MAUVINIERE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

India

Seven arrested for alleged gang rape

Police say they have arrested seven people for allegedly raping a co-worker's wife and aunt in Mukti Rachak, a village 40 kilometres north of Kolkata in India's West Bengal state.

A rash of rapes in India has sparked widespread outrage over chronic sexual violence and government failures to protect women.

The man's 28-year-old wife and 40-year-old aunt were also cut by blades, and were in stable condition a local hospital.

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Greece

Man arrested over earthquake hoax

Police have arrested a 44-year-old man in southern Greece for allegedly posing as an official from the country's main seismological institute, following powerful earthquakes on the western island of Kefalonia.

Police on Thursday alleged that the man, pretending to from the Institute of Geodynamics in Athens, called a 62-year-old woman and warned of another major quake. The motive for the call was unclear. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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'Not going to change'

Rob Ford refuses to attend pride

Toronto's mayor is back in the spotlight after making controversial comments about the city's prominent gay pride festival.

"I'm not going to go to the pride parade," he told the audience at a debate for mayoral hopefuls running in October's municipal election. "I've never been to a pride parade. So I'm not going to change the way I am."

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'Invasive' species?

Wild horses won't run free in Alberta

The capture of some of Alberta's wild horses is sparking anger from critics.

The Alberta government says feral horses are an invasive species and damage the environment, so it's approved the capture of up to 200 for breeding and to be slaughtered. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Federal budget

Public-sector sick days cost $871M

The federal budget watchdog says public servants take an average of 11.5 paid sick days a year, compared with 18 days reported by Treasury Board President Tony Clement.

The parliamentary budget office estimates in a new report the salary paid for sick days reached $871 million in 2011-12, about 68 per cent higher than the estimate 10 years prior. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Kicking the homeless

Online video may result in charges

Vancouver police say they found online videos of a man allegedly kicking two homeless people in the groin in exchange for money "extremely concerning" and are considering laying charges. A video that appeared on YouTube Wednesday shows the suspect kicking the two victims.

METRO

Drummer in PM's band charged with sex assault

Schoolteacher suspended. Allegations of interference with two girls under the age of 14

JOE LOFARO
Metro in Ottawa

The RCMP says Phillip I. Nolan, who plays drums in a band that often accompanies Prime Minister Stephen Harper, is facing charges of sexual assault and sexual interference against two girls.

A spokesman for Harper says the Prime Minister's Office is "shocked and disturbed" by the charges, which allegedly involve two girls under the age of 14 at the time of the incidents.

Nolan, 43, is also a teacher at Avalon Public School, a middle school in east Ottawa. The Ottawa-Carleton District School Board said in a statement Nolan was removed from the classroom when an investigation began and was suspended Thursday after Ottawa police laid the charges.

Nolan faces five counts each of sexual assault, sexual interference, and sexual exploitation.

After a court released him on a $5,000 bond Thursday afternoon, his Toronto-based lawyer, Lou Strezos, said his client is also "very shocked" about the charges.

"He has no criminal record," said Strezos. "He maintains his innocence."

Police allege the incidents took place between 1998 and 2000 during Nolan's tenure as a teacher of Grade 7 and 8 students.

"We are obviously shocked and disturbed by these serious charges," the PM's communications director Jason MacDonald said in a statement.

Phil Nolan, far right, who plays drums in the band that often accompanies Prime Minister Stephen Harper, is facing multiple charges of sexual assault, sexual interference and sexual exploitation. CHRIS YOUNG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

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Soylent founder and CEO Rob Rhinehart holds a glass of Soylent. FACEBOOK

THE FUTURE OF FOOD?

Founder of Soylent says healthy food is expensive and difficult to prepare — and his controversial meal replacement product could be coming to Canada

JESSICA SMITH CROSS
Metro in Toronto

Canadians won't have to wait for a far-off dystopian future to try the controversial Soylent meal replacement product, as the inventor says the company is eyeing Canada as its first international market after it begins shipping to U.S. customers on March 1.

CEO Rob Rhinehart was an electrical engineer at a start-up in California, with insufficient time and money to eat well, when he decided to create something fast and cheap that contains everything humans need to survive.

Soylent comes in two packets, powder and oil, that are mixed with water to form a grayish liquid. It contains no people and costs less than $10 a day.

"Traditionally, healthy food can be very difficult to prepare and very expensive," said Rhinehart. Soylent has a nutrition label that shows a full complement of nutrients, along with carbs, protein and fibre.

"There's a lot of regulation in food," said Rhinehart. "We have gone through all of the hurdles and testing and labelling and process control."

Rhinehart said the label doesn't tell the whole story — that Soylent has a complete amino acid profile and, according to the company's tests, a low glycemic index.

Rhinehart was Soylent's first test subject and he lives "90 per cent" on Soylent today, eating only the occasional social meal. He's gone through long periods of eating only Soylent, and "beta testers" — a tech term for people who try out a new product before it's release — have done the same.

Soylent raised more than $2 million in pre-orders and found venture capital support. It has a community of DIY Soylent makers working on their own Soylent-like food hacks.

It also has many critics.

Two Canadian doctors who are experts in nutrition recommended that consumers wait until Soylent undergoes clinical testing.

Dr. David Lau, a professor of medicine biochemistry and molecular biology at the University of Calgary and the president of Obesity Canada, said Soylent's ingredients "appear very complete," but he's concerned about how well they will be absorbed.

Gut flora, the micro-organisms that live in the digestive tract, are essential to human health but are still not well understood and the effect a Soylent diet would have is unknown, he said.

He said using beta testers is "hocus pocus" and doesn't replace clinical trials that could determine the long-term effects of Soylent.

Dr. David Jenkins, a University of Toronto professor and the Canada research chair in nutrition and metabolism, said he'd like to see testing on the product's glycemic index. How the body absorbs Soylent and its post-meal effects are essential to understanding how useful and healthy it is, he said.

Rhinehart has dealt with similar concerns in the past. "If this becomes a problem the amounts can be changed to compensate," he wrote in a post on his site.

Living on Soylent

"If someone starts doing this to simplify their lives, they don't have to spend as much time eating well and just by default will end up getting a lot healthier."
Soylent founder and CEO Rob Rhinehart

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This YouTube screengrab showing two lugers in a suggestive pose is from an ad produced in response to the world wide controversy created by Russia's law barring the promotion of "non-traditional sexual relations." SCREENGRAB

Russian law is target of new ad

Anti-gay law. Diversity group and Toronto agency collaborate in the creation of a new human rights ad for the Sochi Games

The Olympics have always been a little bit gay.

At least, that's the idea behind a new ad released just days prior to the 2014 Winter Games in Sochi.

The ad shows two male figures thrusting back and forth as they prepare to take off luge sledding. The 30-second spot was a last minute collaboration between the Canadian Institute of Diversity and Inclusion and Rethink creative agency in Toronto.

It's called equality, Mr. Putin

"It's a message about equality first and foremost. The backdrop happens to be the Olympics."

Caleb Goodman, partner at Rethink, which helped produce the ad

Backed with the popular 1980s tune Don't You Want Me by The Human League, it ends with the words: "The Games have always been a little gay. Let's fight to keep them that way."

While homosexuality is no longer illegal in the Olympic host country, it passed a law barring the promotion of "non-traditional sexual relations" to minors.

With just days left before the Games open Friday, Human Rights Watch expressed concerns homophobic violence is escalating.

TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Newfoundland

Gay flag raised at legislature

The Newfoundland and Labrador government says it wants to show its support for human and gay rights as the Sochi Olympics get underway.

A rainbow flag will be raised Friday at the provincial legislature in St. John's to coincide with the opening of the Winter Games in Russia, where a law signed in July outlaws so-called pro-gay propaganda that could be accessible to minors.

The controversial legislation has led to protests in cities around the world.

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Sochi. Some heading to the Games reporting 'hassle-free' security

Despite a temporary Russian ban on liquids in carry-on luggage, some air travellers heading to the Sochi Olympics through Moscow have brought toothpaste and other toiletries past security checkpoints without any problems.

Security concerns ahead of the Sochi Games were renewed after the U.S. Homeland Security Department warned airlines flying to Russia that terrorists may try to smuggle explosives into the country in toothpaste tubes.

Yet six Associated Press employees arriving in Moscow from across the world or beginning their journey there passed through security without having to remove toothpaste, hand lotion or water bottles.

Another AP journalist, arriving in Moscow from Singapore, said a security official checked his deodorant and then returned it, but didn't make mention of a small tube of toothpaste.

Others heading to Sochi said their experience of airport security was surprisingly hassle-free.

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Olympian Cherie Piper offers her predictions for the 2014 Games

About Cherie Piper:

- **Age:** 32
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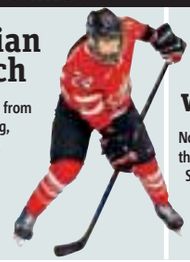
- **Retired from Team Canada:** Spring of 2013

Canadian to watch

Natalie Spooner, from Toronto. She's big, strong, a natural goal scorer.



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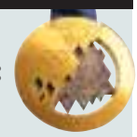


There were jeers before cheers

Cherie Piper at Blyth Academy in Whitby. She became a teacher at the school after retiring from Team Canada, and coaches hockey in the school's advanced sports program.
ELIZABETH BEDDALL/METRO

'Out on the ice, you can hear everything.' Olympic gold-medallist and Canadian hockey hero overcame taunts, insults to succeed

FERNANDO CARNEIRO
Metro in Toronto

Cherie Piper is a Canadian hockey hero.

So who would bully her?

Me. And a good many others from my high school.

In 1996, Piper's high school, Albert Campbell CI, played my school, Sir Winston Churchill, in the Scarborough B finals.

When we met last month, Piper said she remembers that game well. "Out on the ice, you can hear everything that's yelled," she said. Ouch!

Churchill had a bus full of students at the arena to cheer on our girls. And we didn't know the difference between supporting our team and putting down the opposition.

And Piper was the opposition. She skated circles around our girls and scored most goals in the blowout that followed.

Sharon Mejia, now 34, played against Piper.

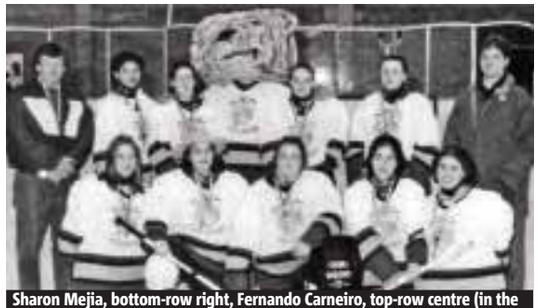
"It was very frustrating, because she was clearly way above everybody else on the team," Mejia said.

So the Churchill crowd, mostly boys who saw the game as an opportunity to skip class, booed Piper. A lot.

"We were rowdy. We said things to bring her confidence down," said Imer Hernandez, who was in the stands.

Mejia said the more Piper was booed, the more she seemed to want the puck, and as Campbell ran up the score, the more insulting the Churchill kids became. The insults eventually turned sexual.

I was there, as Churchill's mascot, wearing a bulldog costume with an oversized head. I remember looking through the eyeholes and seeing Piper's dad put his arm around her mom as she wiped her eyes.



Sharon Mejia, bottom-row right, Fernando Carneiro, top-row centre (in the bulldog costume) and the 1996 Sir Winston Churchill women's hockey team.
SIR WINSTON CHURCHILL 1995-96 YEARBOOK

"My mom and dad used their energy to protect me," Piper said.

While people accused her of embarrassing the other team, Piper said she thought of her teammates, many using equipment borrowed from Piper.

"Our goalie one year had never put on skates before," Piper said. "I used to run skating drills with the girls."

She remembers their weekly practices well. "Nobody understands how much fun we had as a team," she said.

Nearly 16 years later, Hernandez said he's impressed by Piper's mental toughness.

"She was so young. I'd like to congratulate her for playing to the best of her ability while blocking all that."

As rough as the insults hurled at Piper in the Scarborough finals were, she said they're far from the worst.

Due to a shortage of girls playing hockey, when Piper was eight, her parents had the choice of enrolling her in an under-16 women's league or a team of eight-year-old boys. They chose the boys' league.

"Some of the worst things were things that mothers from the other team would yell at me. They would tell their sons to go injure me or kill me," Piper said. "They couldn't handle the fact that their son was beat by a girl."

The behaviour of the Churchill kids at the Scarborough finals is learned behaviour, Piper said. She's now in a position to influence children differently — since retiring from the national team, she has become a teacher for Blyth Academy in Whitby.

"In my classroom there's no putting people down. There's no treating people differently," Piper said. "Retirement (from hockey) has been nice. I'm just enjoying being a normal person and not having to be at the rink or practice all the time."

When we parted, I apologized on behalf of Churchill.

She accepted it graciously.

Little Cherie

The girl? She's the one who scored on you

The first time Chris Piper watched her daughter climb a rope in gymnastics she was in for a big surprise. "Oh my God! That's my kid?" she asked.

While most other children were wobbling along, Cherie made it to the top.

To her mom, it was unfair that as a child Cherie was singled out for being "too good" and for taking up a spot on a boy's team.

"We would be at a tournament and hear parents talk about one team having a girl. They wouldn't look at the top players, they always guessed the boy with the long hair. They would yell at him and say that he shouldn't be on the ice," Chris Piper said. "I would reply, 'See the player who just put the puck in your net? That's the girl.'"

But there were times when Cherie cried.

"I said, 'Honey, if you want to quit, make it your decision. Don't let those people make the decision for you.'"

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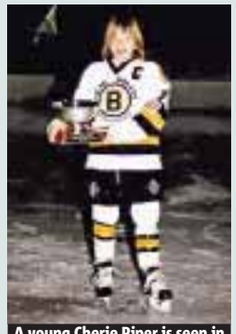

A young Cherie Piper is seen in this undated photo.
COURTESY CHRIS PIPER

Rubber hits the road

It's namaste for yoga-mat chemical in Subway's bread

Subway says it's in the process of removing a chemical from its bread as part of an ongoing effort to improve its recipes. The news comes after a blogger launched a petition this week asking the sandwich chain to stop using azodicarbonamide. The chemical, used in the bread "as a bleaching agent," is also used to make yoga mats and rubber shoes. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Will BlackBerry meet its Waterloo in keyboard battle?

Or will it be Seacrest out? Typo Products and Canada-based company in war of words over QWERTY add-on for iPhone 5 or 5S

Typo Products says BlackBerry is trying to hold a monopoly over smartphone keyboards, and that it shouldn't have to take its new iPhone case off the market.

The Los Angeles-based company, co-founded by American Idol host Ryan Seacrest, filed documents Wednesday in a California court defending itself against a patent infringement lawsuit.

BlackBerry accuses Typo of copying its keyboard design in an effort to capitalize on the smartphone maker's "commercial recognition and goodwill."

Typo Products' iPhone keyboard case. TYPO PRODUCTS/THE CANADIAN PRESS

The company is seeking numerous rulings, including damages from Typo, all of Typo's profits and a stop to future sales of the keyboard technology.

The suit was filed in January and none of the allegations have been tested in court.

Typo disputes the claims made by BlackBerry. The Typo case attaches to an iPhone 5 or 5S, the most recent Apple smartphone models, both of which have touchscreen keyboards.

In its response, Typo attached pictures of various keyboard designs that date as far back as Smith Corona typewriters.

"The QWERTY keyboard has been around since the 1870s and has been present in many messaging devices," Typo said in the documents. THE CANADIAN PRESS

G.I. Joe still in fighting form as he hits the big 5-0

G.I. Joe action figures portray Raising the Flag on Iwo Jima in a display at the New York State Military Museum in Saratoga Springs, N.Y. A half-century after the 12-inch doll was introduced at a New York City toy fair, the iconic action figure is being celebrated by collectors with a display at the military museum, while the toy's maker plans other anniversary events to be announced later this month. Since Hasbro's "movable fighting man" hit the shelves in 1964, G.I. Joe has undergone many changes, some the result of shifts in public sentiment for military-themed toys, others dictated by the marketplace. MIKE GROLL/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Thailand's rice subsidy program turns sour

Thai farmers show their rice certificates during a rally to speed up payment for the price of their crops in Bangkok on Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

An ambitious rice buying program that Thailand's ruling party hoped would aid millions of its poor rural supporters may instead help bring down the increasingly cornered government.

Hundreds of farmers from more than 10 provinces converged Thursday on the capital to demand rice payments that are several months overdue after the policy caused ruinous losses. Some have blocked three main highways in the north and the west, while a few hundred in the ruling party's northeastern heartland protested at a provincial government hall.

With the help of populist policies such as the rice pledging scheme, Prime Minister Yingluck Shinawatra's party won a landslide election victory in 2011. But it suffered a self-inflicted and crushing setback late last year by attempting to amnesty Yingluck's elder brother, Thaksin Shinawatra, so he could return to the kingdom without serving prison time for a corruption conviction.

Ousted as prime minister in a 2006 coup, Thaksin is a highly polarizing figure, beloved in the countryside and loathed in the capital, Bangkok, where military, palace and old money cliques have traditionally held sway over the nation.

The rice crisis could not have come at a worse time for the government, which is reduced to a caretaker administration after protests sparked by the amnesty bill forced new elections. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Uncertain future

Official results of the Feb. 2 vote may not be announced for months after protesters in Bangkok prevented some polling places from functioning, requiring byelections. The government is also assailed by numerous court cases and investigations that could result in it being deposed judicially.

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OF SUPER BOWLS AND SPYING

THE METRO LIST

Mike Benhaim
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1 Black History Month. It's February again, and another great opportunity to learn all about the heroes that have shaped, not just the history of black people in North America, but the whole world. Until it's over and schools go right back to using the same old textbooks. Something tells me we're still a few Februarys away from complete enlightenment. #BHM

2 Bad, bad boy. It was the end of the world. There was darkness and violence and depravity. There were loud noises of motors running high, children crying and sirens wailing. Signs of the apocalypse? Nope, just Justin Bieber on the news again. #Bieber, #Bieberstripper, #DUI....

3 #MattressMack. The Houston furniture store owner's promotion backfired when he offered customers a full refund if the Seahawks were to beat the Broncos. Jim McIngvalen honoured his commitment to the tune of $7 million, but he did it gladly, because it was still cheaper than running a commercial during the Super Bowl.

4 SUPER BOWL XLVIII. Poor Peyton Manning. All everyone did was talk about his football pedigree and five MVPs, but the closest the Broncos came to a touchdown dance was Bruno Mars' halftime performance. Oh sure, they scored a touchdown, but not while anyone was still watching. #worstsuperbowlever

5 5 Seconds of Summer. I have never heard a single original song by this Australian boy band, but the social media gods seem to smile on them because #5SOS keeps trending high. That's a whole lot of tweets. Now, if only they were actually saying something.

6 Woody Allen. The only thing funny about this story is how many twitter-ers or twits, or whatever, did not know that Allen was once pseudo-stepfather to Soon-Yi, his wife. Some argue that she was adopted by Mia Farrow, not Woody, though he dated her for 12 of the child's formative years. It is not illegal. But to put matters into perspective, Allen and Farrow's biological son Ronan once said, "My father is married to my sister. I'm his son and his brother-in-law!" #What??

7 Hoop-la. Raptors point guard Kyle Lowry was named the NBA's Eastern Conference Player of the Week, despite having been snubbed for the All-Star game. Technically, that was last week, but I still haven't gotten over it.

8 I spy. John Forster, head of Canada's eavesdropping agency, was all over social media and the news when he denied spying or any breach of privacy. For most of us, it was enough to just discover that we had an EAVESDROPPING agency!

9 Carrying the torch. Earlier this week, despite concerns about the venue for this year's winter games, Russian President Vladimir Putin declared that Sochi was ready. That could mean they're ready for the games, or that all pro-gay activists have been contained. Either way, they're ready. #sochi2014

10 Facebook. The pioneer social media site celebrated their 10th birthday this week. Ten years since dear old friends who'd drifted apart could find each other again, and 10 years since everyone else could too. Cheers! #BestofFacebook

ZOOM

Sochi starts, protests continue

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The world is watching

Gay rights activists stage a protest that they say evokes the hate crimes and humiliations that are motivated by homophobia in Russia, in Antwerp, Belgium, Thursday. The Sochi Winter Olympics have begun, and many will be watching to see whether Russia will enforce its law banning gay "propaganda" among minors if athletes, fans or activists wave rainbow flags or speak out in protest.

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IOC's stance

- The IOC has reminded athletes that "no kind of demonstration or political, religious or racial propaganda is permitted in any Olympic sites." Athletes will be free to express their opinions at news conferences, however.

Russia's stance

- Vladimir Putin has said gays will be welcome in Sochi if they "leave the kids alone."
- Russia initially banned protests during the Games. Following international outcry, it set up a designated protest zone.

Clickbait

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Metro Online

Just because you're not in Sochi for the Winter Games doesn't mean you can't pretend. With your phone at your fingertips there are plenty of podium-ready apps to help you get into the Olympic spirit.

Sochi 2014 Medal Alert:
The official app of the Winter Games, it allows you to follow your favourite events or teams and get notified whenever a medal is awarded. Available for both Android and iOS.

SkiFree:
A veritable classic, this retro downhill skiing game has been ported to iOS. Follow an intrepid skier as he carves through gates while avoiding obstacles and the occasional Yeti. An Android version of the game, entitled You Are The Yeti!, lets you play as the titular sasquatch.

Age of Curling:
Nothing says Winter Olympics like burning a rock in the fourth end. If that sentence made any sense to you, try Age of Curling for iOS. Hailed as one of the better mobile curling games, it lets you play at venues like an 18th century Scottish castle.

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Twitter

The creator of the Labradoodle says he has regrets about starting the designer dog craze because of health risks. But if you could mix any two breeds (with no health repercussions), what would you make?

@Zom8ieQuEEn a pit bull and a grey hound better watch out when it catches ya lol

@evilaudi why must people cross breed dogs? There are so many breeds to choose from it is impossible to not pick one

@kjwburf I love my Bugg (Boston Terrier x Pug)

@MegBlumenthal I would mix a Shar-Pei and a Poodle. The refined 'Poo-Pei'

@Canucklehead_ca Clearly 'Snoop Dogg' with 'Pitbull'. (I have no idea how breeding works)

Letters

RE: Website Helps Women Get Free Breast Implants, published Feb. 5, 2014

There are many people in countries that need life saving surgery and do not have the money. For the girl that wants breast implants and is getting donations, maybe you should just be thanking God that you have your health. **A. Grossi, Toronto**

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Synopsis

Based on the book The Monuments Men: Allied Heroes, Nazi Thieves and the Greatest Treasure Hunt in History by Robert M. Edsel, the movie stars Clooney, Matt Damon, Bill Murray, John Goodman, Jean Dujardin, Bob Balaban and Hugh Bonneville as a motley crew of art historians, engineers and museum directors recruited to locate and rescue priceless art works stolen by the Nazis. When two members of their team are killed they are no longer observers but active participants in the war.

- Richard: ●●○○○
- Mark: ●●●○○

George Clooney co-wrote The Monuments Men, which opens this weekend. CONTRIBUTED

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Nothing monumental

The Monuments Men. George-Clooney-penned story about saving art in the Second World War skews a little too sentimental

Richard: Mark, this is a wartime comedy. Think Hogan's Heroes by way of Leonardo Da Vinci and you'll get the idea. It has some mild laughs — the biggest giggle, for Canadians anyway, comes from the Parisians who blame Matt Damon's terrible French on having spent too much time in Montreal — but also a great deal of reverence for the art and the work of the real-life monuments men. But what might have been an edgy, exciting look at an underreported slice of World War II history is reduced to an elegantly directed but somewhat dull film.

Mark: Richard, I was really looking forward to this movie. Three of my major obsessions are George Clooney, Nazis and art, although not necessarily in that order. But you're right; the movie is kind of a snooze in parts. There are some great scenes, but they don't quite add up. And at no time did I feel much of a sense of danger, probably because the war is ending and the Germans are already on the run. The great cast is mostly split up during the movie, so the expected camaraderie is absent. But there's one great reason to see this movie, and that's the prominent role of prickly nerd Bob Balaban.

RC: The cast is terrific. Balaban is a great actor, and an underused one, so it's always cool to see him trotted out in anything, but for me Bill Murray shows, once again, in a brief scene in a shower (no spoilers here), how his understated style can move an audience. No problems with the acting, but co-writers Clooney and longtime collaborator Grant Heslov appear to have taken a dose of sentimentality pills before putting pen to paper. The earnest, reverential tone is reinforced by old school pacing that focuses on the character and art over action and a rousing soundtrack that sounds airlifted in from a classic wartime era movie.

MB: Bill Murray, as always, proves that less is indeed more. There's a quasi-romance between Matt Damon and Cate Blanchett that seemed forced to me, not to mention she wears the ugliest pair of shoes in the history of cinema. But all through the movie there's a moral dilemma that keeps being rammed down our throats. Is art valuable enough to risk human life for? The movie tells us over and over that it is, but to be honest, Richard, I'm not so sure. And if you're not sure, the urgency falls apart.

RC: It seems like you noticed Blanchett's shoes more than the art. Therein lies the movie's central problem.

MB: Well, I'm more of a modernist anyway. When they tell the story of how the Germans burned the Klees, Braques, and Picassos I nearly wept. This isn't a bad movie, Richard. I just hoped for a great one.

Filmmaking gets a little more Femme

Femmes Lab. What started as a wild idea at the Whistler Film Festival has turned into a screenplay writing boot camp for six lucky women

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Filmmaker Ingrid Veninger says the pitch for the script writing initiative Femmes Lab, "could have back-fired badly."

The actor-turned-director-turned-Renaissance-woman was on stage at the Whistler Film Festival in December receiving an EDA award from the Alliance of Women Film Journalists for her latest film, The Animal Project, when a notion struck her.

"I started to talk about the Femmes Lab at the podium," says Veninger. "Six Canadian women will write six screenplays in six months. Then I took the leap to invite someone to step up for $6,000. At first the room was silent. So, I started counting down: 6, 5 ... and before I hit 4, a women shot her arms in the air and said, 'I'll do it!' My heart was racing and it was only later I realized it was Melissa Leo. Melissa approached me quietly and said, 'This is going to happen. I will get you a cheque before the end of the year.' And, she did."

For her donation, the Frozen River Academy Award winner Leo gets a first look at six scripts written by a hand-picked group of female Canadian writers and directors including Veninger, Danishka Esterhazy, Michelle Latimer, Sophie Deraspe, Anais Granofsky and Mars Horodyski.

"It's not your traditional kind of script development," says Veninger, "that's for sure. It's almost more like a coven. We're not actually casting spells, as we conjure these new screenplays, but sort of.

Ingrid Veninger. CONTRIBUTED

The nuts and bolts is that we meet in person once a month from January until June, mostly in Toronto. And, month to month we each have to move our screenplays forward, so that by the end of June, we have six completed scripts. But what happens in the actual lab session is a secret. I can say that in my past 20 years of making movies, I have not experienced anything like this. First off, the six of us are very different and we bring a diverse range of experiences and perspectives to the table. Our sessions are minimally nine hours, but can also last the whole weekend."

One of the participants, Mars Horodyski, said, "For me the pUNK Films Femmes Lab offers a supportive creative space where you are encouraged to do something different, brave and representative of who you really are. Something really special happens when you get a group of women together to collaborate in this way. It's different from anything I've ever been a part of and I'm excited to see the outcome."

Veninger says this edition of pUNK Films Femme Lab is likely to be "a one time thing. I'm happy to spark the fire, but it's most exciting to see how others keep it going."

It seems that spark is about to ignite.

"After Whistler, I received a message from a filmmaker in L.A. saying, "we should do a Femmes Lab in Los Angeles", and my response was, 'go ahead and do it. Make it happen. We have nothing to lose. Now is the time.'"

Quoted

"I can say that in my past 20 years of making movies, I have not experienced anything like this. First off, the six of us are very different and we bring a diverse range of experiences and perspectives to the table."

Ingrid Veninger on writing a script in the Femmes Lab

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Animation

The Lego Movie

Director. Phil Lord, Christopher Miller

Stars. Chris Pratt, Elizabeth Banks

This story follows Emmet (Chris Pratt), an ordinary, rules-following, perfectly average LEGO mini-figure who is mistakenly identified as the most extraordinary person and the key to saving the world. He is drafted into a fellowship of strangers on an epic quest to stop an evil tyrant, a journey for which Emmet is hopelessly and hilariously under-prepared.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 100% **Audience:** + 96%

Action-Comedy

Vampire Academy

Director. Mark Waters

Stars. Zoey Deutch, Lucy Fry, Daniela Kozlovsky

Rose Hathaway (Deutch) is a Dhampir: half human-vampire, guardians of the Moroi, peaceful, mortal vampires living discretely within our world. Her legacy is to protect the Moroi from bloodthirsty, immortal Vampires, the Strigoi. This is her story.

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: TBA **Audience:** + 86 %

Comedy/Romance

That Awkward Moment

Director. Tom Gormican

Stars. Zac Efron, Michael B. Jordan

Zac Efron, Miles Teller and Michael B. Jordan star in the R-rated comedy, That Awkward Moment, about three best friends who find themselves where we've all been- at that confusing "moment" in every dating relationship when you have to decide "So...where is this going?"

Rotten Tomatoes™ score
Critics: 22 % **Audience:** 56 %

Abbie Cornish on a Robocop rewind

A simpler time. Australian actress reminisces about watching 1980s classic until her VHS tape wore out

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News in Hollywood

Robocop, starring Abbie Cornish, opens next Wednesday. CONTRIBUTED

Abbie Cornish has fond memories of the original Robocop, having grown up in Australia watching, re-watching and eventually wearing out a VHS copy of the 1987 film at far too young an age, thanks to her older brothers. So she hopes other fans of Paul Verhoeven's ultra-violent action flick will take her involvement in José Padilha's PG-13 remake as a major vote of confidence.

It was a different time, when you had to worry about VHS tapes wearing out.

And it was so devastating when they did — or if they tore! And sometimes you couldn't replace them either. It seems so silly, you'd be 10 years later trying to find another VHS of Robocop and you can't. It's like all of a sudden it becomes a collector's item. It's different now.

What were some of your favourite parts of the original?

I mean, that scene is crazy when he goes in on his own and he gets blown apart. I know it sounds really violent because I was, like, 5 or 6 when I watched that, but that scene is just insane. It's really classic. I love that movie. I really enjoyed watching it again. I watched it a couple of times before we made the movie, and people were like, 'Don't do that!' I was like, 'But I love it!'

Plus, this version is pretty different from the original.

Yeah, it's different. It's a whole different entity. Look, I really hope that the people who are skeptical about the film and are saying that they're not going to watch it because 'we love the original Robocop and they shouldn't have remade it,' I really hope that they go to the cinemas and watch it because I think that they'll be pleasantly surprised.

The default position of any remake is skepticism, though.

I guess so. Maybe I've just never been privy to it. We retell stories all the time. Sometimes they're very well done and sometimes not so well done, so I can understand people's skepticism about that as well.

What are some of your favourite tricks of the trade for tapping into a character?

I listen to a lot of music while I work. I usually make a playlist for each film that sums up what that character's journey is throughout the film, so I can always go back to it and go back to it. Basically it's like home. Or sometimes if I feel a bit lost on the way to work in regards to what we're doing, I'll pull up a Turner painting and just stare at it for half an hour, and that will just give me something for the day. Because sometimes, to be honest, I don't know what I'm doing as an actor and I like that feeling.

Wes Anderson treats Berlin to his latest dreamscape

The Grand Budapest Hotel. Filmmaker and his all-star cast kickoff the Berlin International Film Festival

Wes Anderson directs The Grand Budapest Hotel. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Director Wes Anderson and a strong ensemble cast including Ralph Fiennes, Bill Murray and Edward Norton kicked off the annual Berlin International Film Festival on Thursday with The Grand Budapest Hotel, a caper set in a fictional spa town in pre-Second World War Europe. Here are some tidbits from opening day at the first of the year's major European film festivals.

Written for Ralph

The Grand Budapest Hotel stars British actor Fiennes as its central figure: Monsieur Gustave, a fastidious hotel concierge, and its director says no one else would do.

The part was "written with Ralph in mind," Anderson told reporters ahead of the movie's premiere. "This character is quite grand and theatrical and has to recite poetry and has paragraphs of text."

Still, Fiennes shares the limelight with Norton, Murray, Jeff Goldblum, Tilda Swinton, Willem Dafoe, Jude Law, Adrien Brody, Saoirse Ronan and others in roles large and small.

The movie is the first of 20 competing for the festival's main Golden Bear award.

Happy together

So how does Anderson get stars to play not-so-big roles? Anderson's regular, Murray, who's playing a fellow concierge in this film, leapt in to answer that one.

"We are promised very long hours and low wages ... and stale bread," he said. "That's pretty much it."

Still, he admits the life is pretty cool.

"You get to see the world and we're allowed to let Wes live this wonderful magical life he has where his dreamscape comes true," Murray said. "So we show up, he gets to have all the fun. I guess it's because we like him that we go along."

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American Hustle (14A) Fri 6:50-10 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:40-6:50-10 Mon-Thu 5:30-8:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1:30
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Captain Phillips (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30-9:10
Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 2 (G) Fri-Thu 1:15-3:50-6:50
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Gravity (PG) Fri-Thu 1:25-3:45-7-9:15
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Last Vegas (PG) Fri-Thu 9:20
Mandela: Long Walk to Freedom (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-6:30
Nebraska (PG) Fri-Thu 4-9:25
The Secret Life of Walter Mitty (G) Fri-Thu 1:10-4-6:40-9:05
Walking With Dinosaurs (G) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:05

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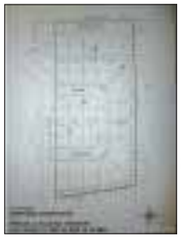

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The Word

Sorkin delivers candid opinion on Hoffman death

MELINDA TAUB
Metro World News

Philip Seymour Hoffman and writer Aaron Sorkin worked together only once, on Sorkin's film Charlie Wilson's War. But they had an important thing in common: They were both recovering addicts.

In the wake of Hoffman's death, the Newsroom creator is sharing some of his conversations with him. In an obituary for Time, he writes that Hoffman told him, "If one of us dies of an overdose, probably 10 people who were about to won't." In other words, Sorkin writes, the death of a famous addict might scare a few other people on the edge into getting clean, and that's why, he says, it's important to be clear that Hoffman didn't die because he did heroin wrong, but because he did it at all.

"(Hoffman) did not die from an overdose of heroin — he died from heroin. We should stop implying that if he'd just taken the proper amount then everything would have been fine.

"He didn't die because he was partying too hard or because he was depressed," he added, "He died because he was an addict.

Is Foxx in Cruise control mode by keeping Katie a secret?

Jamie Foxx and Katie Holmes can't seem to dodge rumours that they're secretly an item.

According to Page Six, Foxx and Holmes have been seeing each other since last summer but are keeping the romance hush-hush out of respect for Holmes' ex-husband, Tom Cruise. "Jamie is being careful because he has a lot of respect for Tom," a source says. When rumours first circulated about the pair last August, Foxx vehemently denied them.

Jamie Foxx

Justin Bieber ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Flight crew give their side of Bieber's high flying

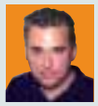
More details are emerging about Justin Bieber's hot-boxed flight into the New York area for the Super Bowl last week. According to an official report obtained by NBC News, Bieber and his entourage smoked so much marijuana on the plane that the flight crew donned oxygen masks to avoid inhaling any.

"The captain of the flight stated that he warned the passengers, including Bieber, on several occasions to stop smoking marijuana," the report states. "The captain also stated he needed to request that the passengers stop their harassing behaviour toward the flight attendant and after several warnings asked the flight attendant to stay with him near the cockpit to avoid any further abuse. The flight attendant stated the passengers, including Bieber and his father Jeremy Bieber, were extremely abusive verbally."

The flight was met by authorities who searched the plane but found no unsmoked marijuana. No members of the flight crew filed charges against Bieber or his friends.

Liquid Assets

Pinot Gris vs. Pinot Grigio



LIQUID ASSETS
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Here's a question I was asked this week: Why do some vineyards call their wines Pinot Gris while others use Pinot Grigio?

Well, the white grape is French so Pinot Gris is its original name. Italy grows a clone of Pinot Gris that they call Pinot Grigio, well, because they're Italian, and which is lighter and crisper than the French versions.

Lots of other countries grow Pinot Gris and deciding on how to spell it is a combination of flavour profile and marketing savvy. Some feel Gris sounds more sophisticated. Others produce a richer wine that they think compares to a French Pinot Gris so go with that spelling.

Since the popularity of Pinot Grigio is undeniable (which translates to profitable) the majority of countries who grow Gris choose to use it.

South Africa's Two Oceans 2013 Pinot Grigio ($10.25 - $11.29) is a great example. Clean, bright and relaxed, it pays enough homage to its Italian cousins to make it more than worthy of the name.

Try with mussels, white fish, chicken, vegetable dishes and semi-soft cheeses. **PRICES REFLECT THE RANGE ACROSS THE COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**

Skip tired steak rub and opt for Asian influence

Pan Seared Flank Steak and Daikon Slaw. Dress up the classic cut of meat

This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Start by marinating the flank steak in five-spice powder, rice vinegar and soy sauce. Then while the steak is absorbing all those rich flavours, grate a daikon radish (they resemble giant white carrots, but have a mild peppery bite) and toss it with grated fresh ginger, scallions and red bell pepper for a simple slaw with just enough assertiveness to cut through the savory heft of the steak.

If you want to keep this dish lean, serve it over brown rice. But if you are willing to embrace carbs, try it on a bun.

Ingredients

- 1/2 tsp ground black pepper
- 1 tsp five-spice powder
- 1/2 tsp red pepper flakes
- 4 1/2 tbsp rice vinegar, divided
- 2 tbsp low-sodium soy sauce
- 1 lb flank steak
- 1 cup shredded daikon radish, patted dry with paper towels
- 1 red bell pepper, cored and sliced into thin matchsticks
- 1 1/2 tsp grated fresh ginger
- Pinch of salt
- 4 scallions, thinly sliced
- 1 tbsp canola or vegetable oil

1. In zip-close plastic bag, mix black pepper, five-spice powder, red pepper flakes, 3 tablespoons of the vinegar and soy sauce. Add flank steak, seal bag, then turn to coat evenly. Refrigerate for at least 30 minutes or up to 2 hours.

2. Meanwhile, in bowl, stir together the daikon radish, bell pepper, ginger, salt, the remaining 1 1/2 tablespoons of vinegar and the scallions. Set aside.

3. When you are ready to cook the steak, in a large skillet over medium-high, heat the oil. Add the steak and sear for 4 minutes per side, or until desired doneness. Allow the steak to rest on a cutting board for 8 minutes. Slice the steak thinly across the grain, then serve with the slaw.

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An almost no-bake cheesecake

Ingredients

Crust
- 1 1/4 cups (300 ml) graham cracker crumbs
- 1/4 cup (50 ml) margarine or butter, melted

Filling
- 3 tbsp (45 ml) cold water
- 1 pkg (7 g) unflavoured gelatin
- 1 pkg (250 g) light cream cheese softened
- 1 tub (500 grams) Yoplait Yopa! Greek Yogurt – Oh La La! Strawberry Cheesecake
- 1/2 cup (125 ml) finely chopped strawberries (optional)

Topping
- 1 1/2 cups (375 ml) quartered strawberries
- 1 tbsp (15 mL) granulated sugar

1. Heat oven to 350 F (180 C). Spray bottom of 9-inch (23 cm) pie plate with non-stick spray.

2. Combine crust ingredients and firmly press onto bottom and up sides of pie plate. Bake 8 minutes. Cool on wire rack.

3. In small microwavable measuring cup, add water and gelatin; stir and let stand two minutes until gelatin expanded and solidified. Microwave on High power 30 to 40 seconds to turn gelatin back to a liquid.

4. In bowl, beat cream cheese on medium until fluffy. Add yogurt, gelatin and chopped strawberries; beat until smooth, then pour into baked crust. Refrigerate at least 3 hours.

5. Prepare strawberry topping by sprinkling sliced strawberries with sugar; let stand 10 cheesecake.

COURTESY YOPLAIT CANADA

This recipe serves eight.
COURTESY YOPLAIT CANADA

Regina native Mark McMorris gets some air during the men's slopestyle qualifying on Thursday in Krasnaya Polyana, Russia. SERGEI GRITS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Teammates rise above McMorris

Slopestyle. Regina native fails to clinch finals in qualifiers but will get another shot

Mark McMorris looked up at the scoreboard at Rosa Khutor Extreme Park on Thursday, shook his head and then voiced his displeasure.

The Canadian snowboarding star thought he had nailed his second run in the men's slopestyle qualifying round at the Sochi Olympics. The judges didn't agree and now the Regina native has to go through the semifinal round in order to advance to Saturday's final.

"I was bummed because I really had no thought in my mind that I wasn't in there," McMorris said. "I thought for sure I was going to be in. So it's kind of like a shot to the heart."

The top four riders in each of the two heats advanced straight to Saturday's 12-man final. McMorris, who finished seventh in his heat with 89.25 points, will compete in the semifinal earlier that day with 20 other riders who will be vying for the four remaining spots.

Reigning X Games champion Maxence Parrot of Bromont, Que., led the 29-man field with 97.50 points. Sebastien Toutant of L'Assomption, Que., also qualified for the final with a third-place finish in his heat (87.25).

Spencer O'Brien of Courtenay, B.C., reached the women's final with a third-place effort (82.75) while Jenna Blasman of Kitchener, Ont., was sixth in her heat (60.25) and will settle for a semifinal appearance.

McMorris has done well just to be in a position to compete at the Games after breaking his rib two weeks ago in a crash at the X Games. He has been medically cleared but the pain still bothers him, though he feels it's manageable.

"Tweaks all the time but it's like a five-minute fix," he said. "It goes away. It's hurting mentally right now more than anything. I didn't get the score I wanted."

Big things are still expected from McMorris, a former X Games champion himself. He fell in his first run but had a clean, technically strong second run.

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On Shaun White's absence

"There's been a couple (of) contests in a row where he's pulled out at the last minute... I'm just mad about it because I want to compete against him. I want to know who is better." Maxence Parrot of Bromont, Que.

CFL

QB Willy beamin' after signing with Blue Bombers

They lost out on the Henry Burris sweepstakes but the Winnipeg Blue Bombers didn't wait long to land another quarterback, acquiring Drew Willy Thursday from the Grey Cup-champion Saskatchewan Roughriders for Canadian receiver and Regina native Jade Etienne.

Winnipeg also signed Willy to an extension, reportedly for two years. He was scheduled to become a free agent next week and will be unveiled by the Blue Bombers on Friday at Investors Group Field.

"Drew is a quarterback we have always thought had very high potential in this league," said Winnipeg GM Kyle Walters.

"I am really excited to join the Blue Bomber organization," Willy said in a statement.

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Scotties

Lawton falls to unbeaten Homan

Rachel Homan finally faced adversity at the Scotties Tournament of Hearts.

And the Team Canada skip emerged from it with a comeback 7-6 victory over Saskatchewan's Stefanie Lawton and with her perfect record intact at 9-0 on Thursday at the Maurice Richard Arena.

"It was a really good game," said Homan, who was taken to the 10th end for the first time in the tournament. "Fun for the fans and fun for us to get a lot of rocks in play."

Homan's Ottawa rink plowed through its first eight games, outscoring its opponents by a combined 71-30, but it wasn't that easy against Lawton (7-2).

"That wasn't our strongest game as a team," said Lawton. "We can pick it up.

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Canada's Justine Dufour-Lapointe reacts after a qualifying run in the women's moguls at the Rosa Khutor Extreme Park on Thursday in Sochi. Justine and her sisters Chloe and Maxime all qualified for Saturday's final. ANDY WONG/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Ski sisters cinch spots in finals

Women's moguls. Dufour-Lapointe sisters, Audrey Robichaud place in top 10 in qualifiers

The Dufour-Lapointe sisters all have a spot in the women's moguls finals at the Sochi Olympics.

Defending champion Hannah Kearney of the United States cruised through qualifying on Thursday, posting a score of 23.05, well clear of Montreal's Chloe Dufour-Lapointe (22.64) for the top spot.

Justine Dufour-Lapointe (22.28) took third and Maxime Dufour-Lapointe (20.88) finished eighth, assuring all three sisters a spot in the finals.

All three sisters declined to speak to the media after qualifying to concentrate on preparing for Saturday's final.

Quebec City's Audrey Robichaud also qualified, placing ninth with a score of 20.61.

It's a return to Olympic competition for Robichaud, who qualified for the 2006 Turin Olympics at age 17 before missing out on the 2010 Vancouver Games.

She nearly missed out on these Games due to a knee injury that sidelined her for part of the season.

"I really made a lot of progress, but the fact that I had not skied in competition last month worried me a little," Robichaud said. "It feels good to be back."

Kearney, the defending Olympic champion, posted the second-fastest time down the hill and highlighted it with a pair of well executed if not quite perfect jumps that allayed any concerns about the course's safety.

"I think that everywhere we go, every World Cup venue, we show up and say, 'Oh, my god. How are we going to make it down this course? This is impossible,"' Kearney said.

After some tweaking by officials, the slopes of the Caucasus Mountains looked no different than most other moguls events over the last four years. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quoted

"It feels good to be back."

Audrey Robichaud, who nearly missed out on the Sochi games due to a knee injury.

Did you know?

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Freestyle skiing dates back more than 100 years, with records of skiers performing somersaults on skis at the start of the 20th century in Norway, Italy and Austria. The first professional competitions were in 1971, and it entered the Olympic program in 1992.

Inter-Canadian duel

Defending moguls champion Alex Bilodeau's toughest competition could come from Canadian teammate Mikael Kingsbury, pictured.

Team figure skating. Pairs put Canada in second place

Patrick Chan did a mock baton pass to teammates Meagan Duhamel and Eric Radford down in the warmup area of the Iceberg Skating Palace between events Thursday night.

Canada's pairs team took it and ran.

Duhamel and Radford had perhaps the skate of their careers Thursday to put Canada in second place of the inaugural team figure skating event at the Sochi Olympics, just two points behind Russia.

Duhamel, from Lively, Ont., and Radford, from Balmertown, Ont., were second in the pairs short program after three-time world champion Chan finished third in the men's short.

"I think that was the greatest feeling," said Duhamel, who clasped both hands over her mouth after the music stopped. "It's not the points, it's not the winning, it's not Canada winning a medal.

"To perform like that and finish our program with that feeling we had, it's every athlete's dream here in Sochi and at any Olympics, and we just did it, we just lived the ultimate moment of every athlete in the world."

Patrick Chan in Sochi on Thursday. GETTY IMAGES

Russia leads with 19 points after Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim Trankov finished first in the pairs short and veteran Evgeni Plushenko was a surprising second in the men's event. China is third with 15 points.

The team event continues with the short dance, women's short program and pairs long program Saturday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Defending Mother Russia

Ovechkin to critics: Knock it off

The Russian Olympian and face of the Games told reporters at the Washington Capitals' morning skate Thursday that people were going out of their way to find faults with the host city.

"I've been in three Olympic games. And I remember Torino and Vancouver and nobody said about something bad in Vancouver or Torino," Alex Ovechkin said in Arlington, Va. "And why you guys always have something, try to find some bad things in Sochi ...

"Enjoy it and don't like find like bad stuff out there. Everything, like, in Torino we lived where construction was and nobody say about that."

Most of the problems documented in Sochi this week have had to do with hotels for visiting media members not being finished and problems like no hot water and light bulbs in rooms. THE CANADIAN PRESS

WHAT CANADA DID

THURSDAY
SNOWBOARD
Men's Slopestyle Qualification - Heat 1: y-Sebastien Toutant, L'Assomption, Que., 3rd (87.25); x-Charles Reid, Mont-Tremblant, Que., 9th (75.50); **Heat 2:** y-Maxence Parrot, Bromont, Que., 1st (97.50); x-Mark McMorris, Regina, 7th (89.25).
Ladies' Slopestyle Qualification - Heat 1: y-Spencer O'Brien, Courtenay, B.C., 3rd (82.75); **Heat 2:** x-Jenna Blasman, Kitchener, Ont., 6th (60.25).
y- advances to final; x- advances to semifinal
FREESTYLE SKIING
Ladies' Moguls Qualification - y-Chloe Dufour-Lapointe, Montreal, 2nd (22.64); y-Justine Dufour-Lapointe, Montreal, 3rd (22.28); y-Maxime Dufour-Lapointe, Montreal, 8th (20.88); y-Audrey Robichaud, Quebec City, 9th (20.61).
y- advances to final
FIGURE SKATING
Team Men Short Program - Patrick Chan, Toronto, 3rd (89.71).
Team Pairs Short Program - Meagan Duhamel, Lively, Ont., and Eric Radford, Balmertown, Ont., 2nd (73.10)

THURSDAY'S RESULTS

FIGURE SKATING

At Sochi, Russia
Team Event
Men's Short Program
1. Yuzuru Hanyu, Japan, 97.98; 2. Evgeny Plushenko, Russia, 91.39; **3. Patrick Chan, Toronto, 89.71;** 4. Yan Han, China, 85.52; 5. Florent Amodio, France, 79.93. 6. Peter Liebers, Germany, 79.61; 7. Jeremy Abbott, United States, 65.65; 8. Yakov Godorozha, Ukraine, 60.51; 9. Matthew Parr, Britain, 57.40; 10. Paul Bonifacio Parkinson, Italy, 53.94.
Pairs Short Program
1. Tatiana Volosozhar and Maxim Trankov, Russia, 83.79; **2. Meagan Duhamel, Lively, Ont., and Eric Radford, Balmertown, Ont., 73.10;** 3. Peng Cheng and Zhang Hao, China, 71.01; 4. Stefania Berton and Ondrej Hotarek, Italy, 70.31; 5. Marissa Castelli and Simon Shnapir, United States, 64.25. 6. Maylin Wende and Daniel Wende, Germany, 60.82; 7. Vanessa James and Morgan Cipres, France, 57.45; 8. Narumi Takahashi and Ryuichi Kihara, Japan, 46.56; 9. Julia Lavrentieva and Yuri Rudyk, Ukraine, 46.34; 10. Stacey Kemp and David King, Britain, 44.70.

SNOWBOARD

At Krasnaya Polyana, Russia
Top 3 results from each Heat
QUALIFYING
(Start position in parentheses)
Heat One — Run One
1. (12) Peetu Piiroinen, Finland, 90.75; 2. (10) Chas Guldemond, United States, 86.00; 3. (5) Niklas Mattsson, Sweden, 82.75.
ALSO
5. (7) Sebastien Toutant, L'Assomption, Que., 74.25; 8. (3) Charles Reid, Mont-Tremblant, Que., 54.50.
Run 2
1. (8) Staale Sandbech, Norway, (45.25; 94.50) 94.50; **2. (7) Sebastien Toutant, L'Assomption, Que., (74.25; 87.25) 87.25**; 3. (14) Jamie Nicholls, Britain, (62.25; 86.75) 86.75.
Also
7. (3) Charles Reid, Mont-Tremblant, Que., (54.50; 75.50) 75.50.
Heat 2 — Run 1
1. (6) Sven Thorgren, Sweden, 94.25; **2. (4) Maxence Parrot, Bromont, Que., 91.75;** 3. (10) Clemens Schattschneider, Austria, 90.00.
Also
12. (9) Mark McMorris, Regina, 29.50.
Run 2
1. (4) Maxence Parrot, Bromont, Que., (91.75; 97.50) 97.50; 2. (3) Roope Tonteri, Finland, (33.75; 95.75) 95.75; 3. (1) Gjermund Braaten, Norway, (12.75; 91.25) 91.25.
Also
5. (9) Mark McMorris, Regina, (29.50; 89.25) 89.25.
Final Ranking
1. Maxence Parrot, Bromont, Que., (91.75; 97.50) 97.50 (QF); 1. Staale Sandbech, Norway, (45.25; 94.50) 94.50 (QF); 2. Roope Tonteri, Finland, (33.75; 95.75) 95.75 (QF); 2. Peetu Piiroinen, Finland, (90.75; 80.00) 90.75 (QF); 3. Sven Thorgren, Sweden, (94.25; 36.75) 94.25 (QF); **3. Sebastien Toutant, L'Assomption, Que., (74.25; 87.25) 87.25 (QF).**
Also
7. Mark McMorris, Regina, (29.50; 89.25) 89.25 (QS); 9. Charles Reid, Mont-Tremblant, Que., (54.50; 75.50) 75.50 (QS).

WOMEN'S SLOPESTYLE
Top 5 results from each Heat
QUALIFYING
(Start position in parentheses)
Heat One
Run One
1. (11) Torah Bright, Australia, 85.25; **2. (4) Spencer O'Brien, Courtenay, B.C., 82.75;** 3. (5) Isabel Derungs, Switzerland, 82.50.
Run 2
1. (5) Isabel Derungs, Switzerland, (82.50; 87.50) 87.50; 2. (11) Torah Bright, Australia, (85.25; 80.00) 80.00; 3. (6) Christy Prior, New Zealand, (67.50; 70.50) 70.50
Also
4. (4) Spencer O'Brien, Courtenay, B.C., (82.75; 65.00) 65.00; 5. (7) Aimee Fuller, Britain, (44.50; 39.00) 39.00.
Heat 2
Run 1
1. (6) Jamie Anderson, United States, 93.50; 2. (2) Anna Gasser, Austria, 89.50; 3. (8) Elena Koenz, Switzerland, 86.25.
Also
5. (4) Jenna Blasman, Kitchener, Ont., 60.25.
Run 2
1. (2) Anna Gasser, Austria, (89.50; 95.50) 95.50; 2. (10) Karly Shorr, United States, (45.00; 84.75) 84.75; 3. (11) Jessika Jenson, United States, (34.00; 58.50) 58.50.
Also
4. (4) Jenna Blasman, Kitchener, Ont., (60.25; 51.50) 51.50; 5. (3) Silje Norendal, Norway, (31.00; 39.00) 39.00.
Final Ranking
1. Anna Gasser, Austria, (89.50; 95.50) 95.50 (QF); 1. Isabel Derungs, Switzerland, (82.50; 87.50) 87.50 (QF); 2. Jamie Anderson, United States, (93.50) 93.50 (QF); 2. Torah Bright, Australia, (85.25; 80.00) 85.25 (QF); 3. Elena Koenz, Switzerland, (86.25; 38.00) 86.25 (QF); **3. Spencer O'Brien, Courtenay, B.C., (82.75; 65.00) 82.75 (QF).**
Also
6. Jenna Blasman, Kitchener, Ont., (60.25; 51.50) 60.25 (QS).

FREESTYLE SKIING

At Krasnaya Polyana, Russia
WOMEN'S MOGULS QUALIFYING
Run 1
1. Hannah Kearney, United States, 23.05 (Q); **2. Chloe Dufour-Lapointe, Montreal, 22.64 (Q); 3. Justine Dufour-Lapointe, Montreal, 22.28 (Q);** 4. Eliza Outtrim, United States, 21.51 (Q); 5. Perrine Laffont, France, 21.34 (Q).
Also
8. Maxime Dufour-Lapointe, Montreal, 20.88 (Q); 9. Audrey Robichaud, Quebec City, 20.61 (Q).

Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Focus on what you desire more than anything and there is a great chance you will get it. Your mind is a powerful tool. If you use it to make a request, the universe will respond.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
Do you carry on with a difficult task or do you end it and focus on something a bit easier? Only you can decide but it does seem a bit of a waste to give up on it so soon.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
The changes you make on the work front over the next few days will have huge effects over the coming months, so think carefully and, if there is any doubt, leave things as they are for the time being.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Whatever kind of news you receive over the next 24 hours, you are advised to keep an open mind. A couple of weeks from now, you will have more important issues to deal with. So, don't take what you hear now too seriously.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
You need to make a decision about a partnership or relationship matter. If you don't, the issue will be taken out of your hands and other people will make the decision for you.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
It's important that you don't let anxieties get the better of you, especially where your health is concerned. You tend to fear the worst for no good reason at this time of year but eventually your fears will fade.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
Put the finishing touches on something creative, something that could bring you the recognition you feel you deserve. Even if it doesn't make you rich and famous, it will still be a job well done.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
If you must get involved in a dispute between friends, make sure you are even-handed. If you give the impression that you favour one side more than the other, you will make things worse than if you had left it alone.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
Change is good, change is positive, so whatever else you do today, don't fight the changes that come your way. You were designed by the cosmos try out new things.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
If you want something enough, you'll find a way to get it but it may cost you a great deal of time and energy. You have to decide whether the sacrifice is worth it.

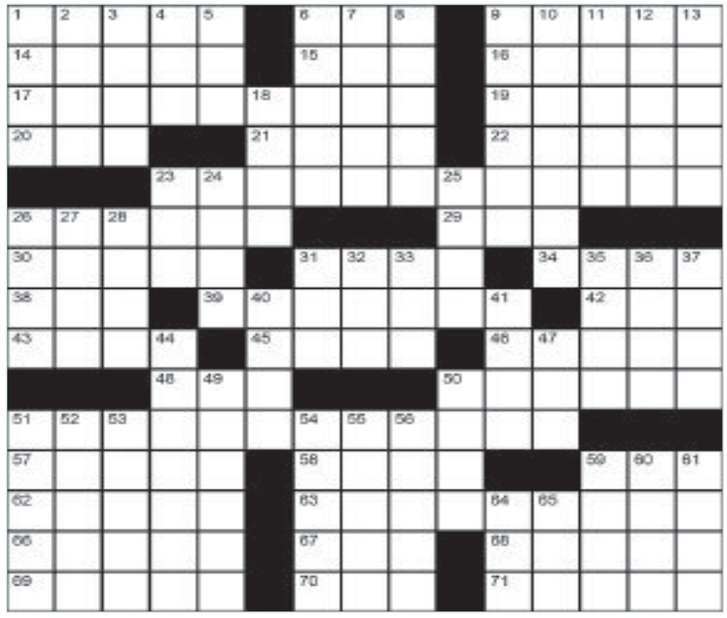
♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
You have this feeling that if you don't act quickly, you'll miss out on something big. Maybe you're right, but is it reall important? The planets urge you to focus on what you've already begun.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
What society tells you is important and what your inner voice tells you is important are likely to be different. You should never go against your instincts. SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Canada Across and Down

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN



Across

1. Anton Chekhov play, Uncle __
6. The __-i-Noor Diamond
9. Sedimentary rock
14. 'E' of TSE
15. __ pro nobis (Pray for us, in Latin)
16. Carpentry joint, mortise and __
17. "Reach for the Sky (__ __ Mix)" by Maestro Fresh Wes feat. Classified & Blue Rodeo
19. Grain fungus
20. Consumed
21. "Soap" surname
22. Awaken
23. February 7th, 2014 - Winter Olympics: Canada's flag-bearer at the Opening Ceremony, Hayley __
26. Stick to
29. 'Opt' suffix
30. Radiancy
31. Feudal system land
34. Jennifer of "Pride and Prejudice" (1995)
38. Long period
39. 1957: Russian satellite, __ 1
42. __ lamp
43. Field
45. Nullify
46. __ __ spot on the team
48. Baking meas.
50. Cadbury treat, Crispy __
51. Russian pianist/composer, b.1873 - d.1943 [var. sp.]
57. Spry
58. Organic compound
59. Discuss
62. Library item
63. St. Petersburg, Russia: The State __ Museum
66. W. __ Wilson (Canadian entrepreneur)
67. Hi-__ graphics
68. Jean-__ (Montreal metro station)
69. "Rawhide" role Rowdy
70. City in Russia, Ulan-__
71. Thespian's home

Down

1. Singer/songwriter Suzanne
2. Quite often: 2 wds.
3. Egypt's river
4. Greeted, Rocky-style
5. Cash dispenser, commonly
6. Imaging company
7. Pontificate
8. Guitarist, Eddie Van __
9. "Connected" by __ MC's
10. Lorde album: 'Pure __'
11. Canadian pollster, Dr. __ Reid
12. On the lam
13. Insert
18. __ A Sketch (Retro toy)
23. Obi-__ Kenobi
24. Frosts
25. Sound system sort
26. On the briny
27. Thunder god
28. Prong
31. Playfulness
32. "__ be nice if..."
33. Lanois' U2 co-producer
35. Hey-you're-in-my-way device
36. "The Mod Squad" role, __ Hayes
37. "In the Valley of __" (2007)
40. Insect stage
41. Sawing cut
44. Olympics competitor
47. Montreal musician, Melissa __ der Maur
49. Extracts metal from ore
50. Musicals star Mr. Wilkinson
51. Darted past: 2 wds.
52. Ancient marketplace
53. Spotted cat-like mammal
54. Jacket type
55. Marvin Gaye/Tammi Terrell hit: "You're All _ __ to Get By"
56. Scandinavian
59. Bash
60. Worked up
61. Singer, __ _. King
64. Possessive pronoun
65. Ink-on-skin pic

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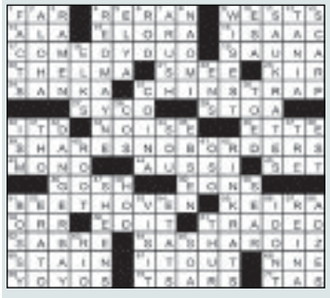

Sudoku

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Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved.

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7								6
		8		2		3		
	6	1		5		9	8	
	5			3			6	
	9	7		8		4	2	
		6		9		2		
1								9
	7		3		2		4	

Yesterday's Sudoku

6	7	1	2	8	3	4	5	9
9	3	8	6	5	4	7	1	2
5	2	4	1	7	9	3	6	8
4	1	3	9	6	2	8	7	5
7	6	9	8	4	5	1	2	3
2	8	5	3	1	7	6	9	4
3	4	2	7	9	6	5	8	1
1	5	6	4	2	8	9	3	7
8	9	7	5	3	1	2	4	6

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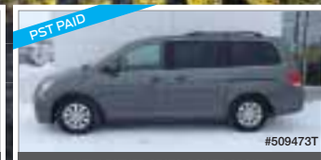

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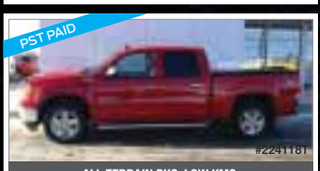

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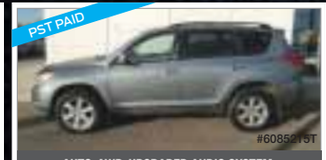

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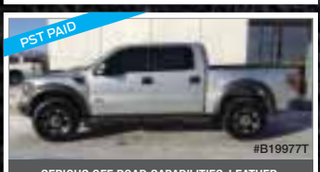

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